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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of

Toshimi FUKUI

Serial No.:

Group Art Unit:

Filed: November 17, 2000

Examiner:

For: PIEZOELECTRIC ELEMENT, PROCESS FOR PRODUCING THE PIEZOELECTRIC
ELEMENT, AND HEAD FOR INK-JET PRINTER USING THE PIEZOELECTRIC
ELEMENT

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

Prior to examination of the above-referenced application, please amend the application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Claim 3, line 1, please delete "or 2".

Claim 4, lines 1 and 2, please change "any of claims 1 to 3" to --claim 1--.

Claim 5, lines 1 and 2, please change "any of claims 1 to 4" to --claim 1--.

Claim 6, lines 1 and 2, please change "any of claims 1 to 5" to --claim 1--.

Claim 7, lines 1 and 2, please change "any of claims 1 to 6" to --claim 1--.

Claim 8 lines 1 and 2, please change "any of claims 1 to 7" to --claim 1--.

Claim 9, lines 1 and 2, please change "any of claims 1 to 8" to --claim 1--.

Claim 12, line 2, please delete "or 11".

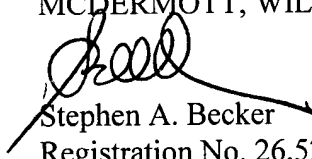
Claim 13, lines 5 and 6, please change "any of claims 1 to 9" to --claim 1--.

REMARKS

The above-referenced application is amended to delete the multiple dependency of claims 3-9 and 12-13 to avoid the multiple dependent claim filing fee.

Respectfully submitted,

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